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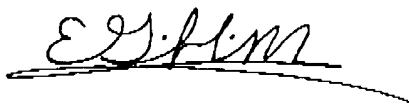
Dear Mr. Brown:

I want to thank you for the interview on February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2003. I want to also thank you for having reviewed the faxed proposed amendment in preparation for the interview. As a result of the interview, I have updated the proposed amendment.

As discussed, I have enclosed the revised amendment via facsimile for your kind consideration. I look forward to hearing from you, thanks.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,



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